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Applicants: Szelenyi et al. **Examiner:** Brian Kwon
Serial No.: 10/727,655 **Art Unit:** 1614
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Title: Combinations of Retigabine and Sodium Channel Inhibitors or Sodium Channel-Influencing Active Compounds for Treating Pains

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2005. A response to the November 2, 2005, Office Action was due three (3) months from its mailing date, *i.e.*, February 2, 2006. Submitted with the Amendment is a Petition for an Extension of Time requesting that the period for responding to the Action be extended by two (2) months so that it does not expire until April 2, 2006. Since April 2, 2006, falls on a Sunday, the period for responding to the Action expires on April 3, 2006. Therefore, this response is timely filed. Favorable consideration of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

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